

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant	:	Toshihiro Takeuchi		
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Docket No.	:	SHM-14986		
Customer No.	:	040854		

AMENDMENT "C"

(In response to Paper No./Mail Date 20061026 and 20070118)

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Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office action dated November 20, 2006 and the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated January 24, 2007. The three month period for responding to the Office action expires on February 20, 2007.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.